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SETTING UP OF CHILD COMMISSION
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up Child Commissions on the pattern of National Child Commission both at the Central and at the State Levels;

(b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof; and

(c) the time by which the Commission is likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. The Government has recently notified the Commissions for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005 in the Gazette of India on 20th January, 2006 as Act No. 4 of 2006. The Act envisages setting up a National Commission at the National level and the State Commissions at the State level for Protection of Child Rights, which will be a statutory body with similar provisions for State Commissions in respect of their constitution, reporting, functions and powers as that of the National Commission. States have already been requested for setting up the Commissions at he State level. The salient features of the proposed Child Commissions are available in the Commissions for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005, which is available in the Ministry's website http:/www.wcd..nic.in

(c) The various actions with reference to setting up of the Commissions for the Protection of Child Rights, namely, creation of posts, framing of rules, etc. are now under way.